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Fellow Citizens of the Senate,
and of the House of Representatives,

In the occasion which brings me before you, the immediate representatives of the people of this State, to return my sincere acknowledgments, for the high and dignified station, with which I have been honoured, by their free and unbiassed suffrages. This pledge of their confidence and regard, affords me more forcibly the sensibility and gratitude, as it conveys to my mind the additional consolation, that my efforts to promote the general welfare, and the local interests of my constituents, on the various public trusts which have been conferred on me, have met their approbation. There can be nothing more dear to the heart of a patriot, than the prosperity, the honor and glory of his country, and no reward for sacrifices incurred in the discharge of duties necessary to the attainment of these great objects, more precious than the smiles of an approving conscience, and the unbought plaudits of an enlightened people. To merit the former, is the full measure of my ambition, and to receive the latter, is a solace which commensurately adds dignity and richly compensates for all my labors in the service of my fellow citizens.

In entering upon the executive office of this State, it is not my intention to introduce any specific topic falling within the scope of your legislative deliberations. Such is not the purpose of the present address, nor could I, by any light which I might throw, brighten the picture of our internal affairs which has been already exhibited to you in the very able and elaborate message of my worthy and distinguished predecessor, whose long experience, and clear discriminating mind, have enabled him to discern the rocks and shoals which beset our political barque, and mark to the mariners of peace and security, and who now voluntarily retires from the helm of state, with the gratitude and affection of his constituents for services alike honorable to himself and useful to his country.

Our constitution has wisely confined the powers of this department, within specified and defined limits, comprehending little more than a participation in legislation, and the right to extend pardon to unfortunate offenders against the penal laws of the state. Beyond these and all other important

the branch of the government, may depend upon it, it should be invariably exercised according to settled rules, and with firmness and impartiality, discarding all considerations not founded in a sincere desire to promote the public good. During the short period of our existence as an independent member of the union, much has been done to provide a code of laws adapted to the respect and circumstances of the community; and we have many important subjects to engage the attention and call forth the wisdom of the legislature, in respect to which we may be found defective in their formation, and in the addition of such new regulations as are necessary to give efficiency and stability to our system of jurisprudence. In the speedy and uniform administration of justice, by courts, profoundly conversant with and appreciated by every man, must rest a deep and, I may add, a vital interest. In this link in the chain of the constitution, depends the life, liberty, property and reputation of the citizen, and redress of all the complicated wrongs and injuries, which can be inflicted by those who are regardless of social obligations and the rights and immunities of their fellow men. I cannot too earnestly press upon your attention the necessity of a well digested judicial system, profiting by the experience of other states, which have gone before us, in the path of legislation, and presented examples of virtue and decision worthy of the enlightened age and country in which we live. Man can shape in silence the influences of duty which is emphatically paramount to all other, affording encouragement and protection to learning, whether the field be a farm or a forest, and overspreading Providence, in a benignant sky, all the fruits of the earth, and in every variety of form and soil suited to the growth and culture of all the varieties and blessings of life, we shall answer the purpose of future generations, and the strength of a free God, if we are not to be found in our power, to enlighten our offspring, and teach them to estimate the blessings which they inherit from their ancestors. Before the district municipality Tribunal of a nation of citizens who have been reared and nourished in the full enjoyment of the benign influences of institutions [illegible]

[illegible] by the constitution of our city, may and ought to stand upon the sink beneath the weight of treason, unfettered by the enervating chains of ignorance and superstition. [illegible] of government rest on the virtue and intelligence of the people at large, without which they will tumble into anarchy, the parent stock of unutterable ruin.

To avert an evil so portentous and fatal in its consequences, and to support the fair fabric of liberty and independence, which has been achieved by the valor and patriotism of our fathers, it was made the determination and manifestation, in a judicious and prudent application of the resources afforded by the beneficent hand of the general government, for the use of schools, to the accomplishment of the humane and benevolent end, for which they were intended.

The organization and discipline of the militia also claim particular notice. The pretext of the malcontents have been justly considered the bulwark of our defence and safety. An armed nation is always prepared to repel external aggression, and by giving internal resistance to the laws and constituted authorities, and we are taught by the history of other countries, the salutary lesson, that in proportion to the want of martial spirit among the great body of the people, standing armies have risen, and as the one recedes, the other advances, until all resistance to an arbitrary sovereign becomes unavailing, and the temple of liberty is surrendered to the despotic sway of some aspiring tyrant. A people jealous of their rights ought always to be prepared to repel and defeat them. And it is the duty of the great confederation, constituting the republic to efficient laws rigidly enforced, to be ready on every call of national peril and emergency, and put forth the physical strength of the state, well disciplined & equipped for the service which may be required of them by their country.

To these general subjects of legislation may be added that of internal improvements. The commerce which flows through this state, ascending into the interior might at an expense, bearing no proportion to the advantages which would accrue from the change be opened for the transportation of our bulky [illegible] country, at almost all seasons

of the year, which limits the facilities afforded to the agricultural public, would also invite commercial intercourse between the states, and by a reciprocal change of commodities, promote the convenience of those who reside at a remote distance from the seaboard, and greatly augment the price of their products, deprived of adequate means to convey them to a distant market, at which they are offered by the present of the United States. Should either more be done to effect these objects, an appeal to the liberality of congress, representing the advantages which would accrue in the diminished cost of the public lands, or their greater augmentation by grant of a portion of the lands, for a purpose which would constitute an ample security to settlers, would probably have been drawn to the unexpected efforts which have been made by commissioners appointed to treat with the Cherokees west of Mississippi, for an abandonment of their title to lands lying within the settled limits of this state. This subject, so intimately connected with the progressive augmentation of our state and resources, deserves the most serious consideration, and I doubt not will receive our undivided care.

It is a remarkable fact, that in every other part of the United States bordering on the territory of the Indians, difficulty has been experienced in procuring a small consideration, their rights of soil, which have become useless to them for the purposes of hunting. Such is the condition of the country which the Cherokees desire to obtain of the Cherokee tribe of Indians, in exchange for one abandoned their ancient council ground, and the difficulties which have arisen annually with that tribe, would cease, if they could be induced to remove to their new settlements, and exercise all the privileges in that quarter on the territory of the United States, which they now peaceably do, within the limits prescribed to them by existing treaties, and yet they refuse a fair equivalent in exchange of country, which they hold to the great detriment of this state, and the obstruction and annoyance of the constant intercourse, which is carried on between the western states

about the slightest suspicion that it is future to them for any purpose whatever. Under these circumstances, it would seem to comport with their and impartial justice, and proper respect for our own right, that the United States should seek indemnity for the trespass committed by those Indians, west of the Mississippi, and either bring them to a sense of reason, by the offer of a fair and equitable exchange of territory, on to prescribe to them such limits, east of the Mississippi, as will amount to a suitable indemnification. It affords me great pleasure to assure you, that the executive branch of the general government sympathizes with our feelings and solicitude, in relation to this measure, and that every power properly belonging to that department, will be exerted to effect the object.

Fellow-Citizens, in closing this hasty and imperfect address, permit me to hope that the utmost harmony and cordiality will characterize your deliberations during your present session. On all questions of a local nature, we should exercise towards each other the most liberal sentiments of toleration and forbearance. If any man among us, be disposed to throw the apple of discord, and arouse sectional feelings and decisions in this assembly, that man is an enemy to the State. Let us act for the whole people whose best interests are confided to us, as one family, having equal claims to a participation in the benefits, and bound to bear an equal portion of the burdens resulting from the administration of the government. In its integrity with which I shall endeavour to discharge the high and responsible duties of the office conferred on me, I now proceed to give the solemn assurance required by the Constitution, appealing to Heaven for the purity of my intentions, and to the liberal indulgence of my fellow citizens for errors from which human frailty is not exempt.

Pittsburg

George Poindexter

Dec. 3, January 3d 1820.

Executive Department

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You are hereby requested to deliver the body of Hezek
Davenport now confined in the Jail of Adams Co
unto the professions of Alexander McCoy, who in the ma
ner duly appointed to receive and transport the said Davenport
to the State of Kentucky, to answer certain offences al
which he stands charged

To the Sheriff of Adams Co

Geo Poindexter

of Adams County

Executive Department

Natchez Jan 6th 1820.

Sir,

In compliance with your demand upon the Executive
authority of this State, for the delivery of the body of Hezek
Davenport, who is charged with the murder of Chandy
Allaway in Scott County, in the State of Kentucky, I have
caused the Sheriff of Adams County to deliver the said
Prisoner into the possession of Alexander McCoy who
appointed the Agent on the part of your State to receive
and transport the said Davenport to the County where
The offence is charged to have been committed to be dealt
with, according to law.

I signed I Geo. Poindexter

His Excellency

Gabriel Slaughter

Frankfort, Ky.

Gentlemen of the Senate, and
of the House of Representatives,

In addition to the subjects communicated by the
last General session, I deem it my duty to call your attention
to the early attention necessary which will be required in
the consolidation of the statutes of this State, of a similar
nature. It is believed that provision in this respect, by
appointing to authority a revisal of the laws, for a period
long enough that which has elapsed since the first organization
of the legislative body, in the territory of which our present
State, and thereby more could have been required
more urgently than we do the mind together

[illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] and explanatory [illegible] of [illegible] forms [illegible]
[illegible] having the remaining [illegible] of [illegible], and the [illegible]
legislation which we find on the same subject, which
[illegible] renders it extremely difficult, and at times quite, almost
impracticable, to determine with accuracy what laws
are, or are not, in force; and this remark is more particu-
larly applicable to conservators of the Peace, dispersed over an ex-
tensive country, who are often obliged to execute a delicate and
important duty, without the aid of legal advice. To remedy
the mischiefs and inconveniences resulting from the above causes
and circumstances, I recommend the appointment of a Board
of Commissioners, to consist of three, of the most learned and
distinguished citizens of the State, who shall be authorized to
appoint a clerk, and to meet at such place or places as a ma-
jority of them shall decide on, and adjourn from time to
time, as they shall think proper, during the recess of the Legis-
lature; and that those commissioners be empowered, to revise
and consolidate the statutes of this State, omitting laws of a
private nature, such to the end of the present session; to correct
the imperfections which may be found in the Judiciary, of
existing laws; to reduce into one, all the laws on the same sub-
ject; and report for the use of the General Assembly, such sta-
tutes as may be deemed necessary to complete our code, in
all respects. The utility of such a work will be seen and
felt by every citizen of the State, and until it shall be
finished and promulgated, those whose duty it is to exe-
cute the laws and administer Justice, according to their
spirit and intention, will be liable to errors, inseparable
from the uncertain construction of a variety of conflicting
statutes, enacted by successive Legislatures,
[illegible] the same object in view. Should this recommendation
be approbation of the General Assembly, it is respectfully
suggested, that a reasonable compensation ought to be allowed
the commissioners, for every day they are actually em-
ployed in the discharge of their duties which, upon the
most liberal calculation, will not exceed six dollars
the expenditure incident to your honorable bodies
session of two weeks.

I also recommend a change in our Judicial
[illegible] separation of the Chancery from the common

jurisdiction of our courts. However known the combination of these, in the same hands, it involves much embarrassment, and that the labor is greater can be performed within the limited terms of the courts of the several counties. The chancery side of the docket which certainly requires the most attentive and mature deliberation, is usually taken up, after the usual witnesses attending on the court are discharged, compelled the presiding judge, often to dispense with the arguments of counsel, and to give a hasty opinion on one of the most important and difficulty. The establishment of a high court of chancery, to be held at once at some place in the state, would contribute in no small degree to a speedy and regular administration of justice, and relieve the community from protracted litigation, and vexation which amount almost to a denial of the redress, which they seek through the medium of a court of equity. On this subject I transmit to you a copy of a communication received from the Judges of the Supreme Court, whose able and experienced counsel I ask their attention to the most respectful consideration.

I take this occasion to assure the General Assembly of my readiness to co-operate with the Judges in the shortest time, which the importance of the subject, and of my determination to co-operate will admit, and of my determination to adopt every measure calculated to advance the good of the state.

[Signed] Geo. Poindexter

Jackson Jan. 26th 1820.

Executive Chamber, Feb. 1st 1820.

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives,

I have transmitted the Joint Resolution which passed in your honorable body, entitled "A Resolution to object to the Bonds of Matrimony heretofore subsisting between Baker and Hannah Baker" and return it with the following objection, to wit, "That it does not appear by any thing contained in said Resolution, that the same was sanctioned by two thirds of both branches of the General Assembly."

[Signed] Geo. Poindexter

Gentlemen of the Executive Chamber, Jan.y 22 1820

House of Representatives

I transmit to you, for your information from the States of Vermont and Pennsylvania, for certain amendments to the constitution of the United States, to which the consent of the General Assembly of this State, is requested. Also, a Resolution of the State of South Carolina, relating the amendment proposed to the constitution of the United States, by the State of North Carolina, relative to a uniform mode of electing Electors of President and Vice President of the United States. These papers being original, it is desired that you will convey them to the Senate, to come at your honorable body shall have decided on them.

/Signed/ Geo. Poindexter

Gentlemen of the Executive Chamber Feb.y 2nd 1820

House of Representatives.

I have examined, and considered the following Resolutions which originated in your honorable body, and in which the concurrence of the Executive is desired, to wit: "A Resolution relative to deposits of United States funds," "A Resolution as to a Port of Entry at the mouth of Pearl River," and "A Resolution as to a Port of Entry at the mouth of Pascagoula," and returned them with the following objection, Because the concurrence of both houses is not "necessary" to an order or resolution requesting or instructing our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to support any particular measure of local or national policy. Either house may exercise this privilege without the consent of the other; they may even expunge conflicting opinions and votes on the same subject, or they may pass a joint Resolution wherein each branch of the General Assembly concur in the proposition. It is a mean employed to furnish the Senators and representatives, with the sentiments of their constituents, in relation to questions of doubt and difficulty, which decides no additional force or validity from the sanction of the Executive; and it therefore does not embrace the provisions of the 16th Section of the 4th Article of the Constitution.

/Signed/ Geo. Poindexter

To the Senate, and Executive Chamber Feb'y 6th 1832.

House of Representatives of the State of Mississippi,

Herewith to the Senate and House of Representatives, a communication received from the President of the Board of Medical Censors, recommending certain amendments to "Act to regulate the admission of Physicians and Surgeons to the practice of Medicine and Surgery in the State of Mississippi," also, copies of a report from the Secretary of State relative to the vacancies, in the office of Justice of the Peace for the counties of Franklin and Jefferson, occasioned by the resignations of Dougald Terry and David Thompson.

/Signed/ Gen. Poindexter.

Gentlemen of the Executive Chamber Feb'y 7th 1832

House of Representatives,

I have considered the bill which originated in your honorable body, entitled "An act to authorize the collection of the State taxes to receive different Bank notes in payment of State and County taxes," and return the same, with the following objections.

1.st No Bank is designated by its proper title, the notes of which are made a tender in payment of State and County taxes. The description of the papers to be received by the tax collector in the first section of the bill, is general, indefinite and inexact, and leaves to doubtful construction a subject which ought to be fixed and certain. 2.nd The collector of the taxes and the State and county treasurers, could not ascertain the duty imposed on them by the 2.nd section of the bill to receive the Federal Bank notes, pointed out in the 1.st section of the bill, because no such notes are specified. 3.rd The courts could not exercise the power vested in them, by the 4.th section of the bill, of prohibiting the collector in the case of "taking or receiving the Bank paper money of any of the aforesaid, when he shall receive information, that the banks, or any of them, have failed, or refused to pay for their notes, or are in doubtful circumstances," because the terms "Mobile bank notes, of the State of Alabama," "the Bank notes of Louisiana," include every banking institution, and all current papers at Mobile, or in Louisiana, in its whole extent; and no practicable rule could be instituted, to meet the views of the Legislature without a more distinct reference to the particular

Banks intended to be issued by the Commissioners of State Bank

[illegible] Geo. Poindexter

By George Poindexter Governor of the State of Mississippi

A Proclamation

Whereas it has been represented to the Executive of this State that a certain James Campbell, did, on the 24th of February last, wilfully, and with malice aforethought, kill and murder one David Curry, in the county of Adams, and whereas justice and the safety of society require that the said Campbell should be brought to trial. I do, therefore, issue this Proclamation, hereby offering a reward of Two hundred Dollars, to any person or persons, who shall apprehend and secure in Jail the aforesaid James Campbell, and I do, moreover, require all officers civil and military, and exhort the good people of the State, to use their best endeavours to apprehend the said James Campbell, that he may be dealt with according to Law.

Given under my hand and the seal of the State this fifth day of March 1828, and of the Independence of the United States the 44th

L.S.

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter

James Campbell is a stout made man, about five feet Eight inches high, fair hair and complexion, light blue eyes, and stands about twenty two years of age. It is believed, that he has descended the River Mississippi, from Natchez to Baton Rouge, or New Orleans.

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi

To Jacob S. Storrs, Esquire, Circuit Justice of the Quorum for this County of Perry, or any Justice of the Quorum, or of the

Whereas by a Law passed on the third day of February Eighteen hundred and Twenty, the County of Perry was erected into a separate County, and whereas the offices of Sheriff & Coroner now being vacant in said County, and whereas by a Law passed on the twelfth day of February Eighteen hundred and Twenty, authorizing the Governor of this State to issue a Writ of Elections, directed to a Justice of the Quorum or of the Peace of said County of Perry, to hold an Election to fill such vacancies. These are therefore to command and require you to hold an Election at the House of Jacob S. Storrs, on the first Monday of May next, and the day following to fill the said vacancies, and you are, moreover, required to conduct said Elections in all respects conformably to Law.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the State, at the City of Natchez, this Eleventh day of March Eighteen hundred and Twenty, and in the Forty fourth year of the Independence of the United States of America,

By the Governor (Signed) Geo. Poindexter

Wm. C. Williams

Sec.y of State.

Natchez March 31. 1826

Sir

On application has been made by the Commanding Officer of Cavalry, attached to your Regiment, for the appointment of Officers, whom they have recommended to supply the place of those heretofore appointed to command that Corps, and appointments, cannot be legally made to the office, unless commissions, either living, or have been tried by court martial are sentenced to be cashiered. Should any Delinquency have been made to you with a copy, you will please forward them to the Brigade Major, & charges and specifications are exhibited against either of those officers, you will forthwith detail a Special Court Martial, for the trial of such officer or officers, and report proceedings to the Commander in chief. I am Sir with Esteem

Willis Blount Esq. Col. 1st Reg.t Cav.

Dear Sir, Natchez March 31st 1820.

I have received the return of the Election held for officers of the Corporation of Habanesville, and have the honour to inform you, that the Act of Incorporation does not require any of them to be commissioned by the Governor.

I am, Sir, very respectfully Your ob.t Serv.t

Wm. C. Dickson Esq. (signed) Geo. Poindexter.

Habanesville.

Dear Sir, Natchez April 1st 1820.

You will please issue warrants to the Treasurer of this State for the following purposes, To wit: To place the residue of the contingent fund of $1500, after deducting the sums advanced during the current year, at my credit, and disposal in Bank, to be accounted for to the next General Assembly, according to law; also, to pay to the Bank of the State of Mississippi, Five Thousand Dollars, in part of the sum heretofore borrowed from that Institution.

Should the public necessities require it, on your application, I will exercise the power vested in me, to borrow the amount necessary to meet the current expenses of Government.

I am, Sir, respectfully

Your ob.t Serv.t

John Richards Esq. (signed) Geo. Poindexter.

Auditor of Pub. Accts.

By George Poindexter,

Governor of the State of Mississippi,

A Proclamation.

Whereas it has been satisfactorily represented to the Executive of this State, that a certain Silas Murray, did, in the month of August last, commit the crime of Murder in the County of Lawrence upon the body of William Neal, and did on the night of the 23rd of December following, escape from the Jail of said County: And whereas justice and humanity, as well as the safety of Society, require that the said Murray, who is now a fugitive from Justice, should be brought to Trial; I do, therefore, issue this Proclamation, hereby offering a reward of One hundred Dollars to any person or persons, who shall apprehend and secure in Jail, the aforesaid Silas Murray, and I do moreover, require all Officers, civil and military, and citizens of good faith of this State to use their best endeavours to ap-

apprehend the said John Murray, that he may be dealt according to Law.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of State, this first day of April, in the year of L.S. and of the Independence of the United States of America, the Forty-fourth

/ Signed / Geo. Poindexter.

John Murray is a man about five feet six inches high, stout made, dark complexion, large black whiskers, pretty pitted with the small pox, and about Thirty five years of age.

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To the Sheriffs of Jefferson and Franklin Counties.

Whereas Armstrong Ellis who was a member of the Senate from the Senatorial District composed of the counties of Jefferson and Franklin, in the General Assembly of this State, hath de

I do therefore issue this Writ, authorizing and directing you hold an Election on the first Monday in August next, the day following, in your respective Counties, to fill the va cy occasioned by the death of the said Armstrong Ellis, and I do moreover, enjoin you to conduct the said Elect in all respects conformably to Law.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the State, this first day of April, in the L.S. year 1830, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the Forty-fourth

/ Signed / Geo. Poindexter.

Sheriffs of Jefferson & Franklin Counties.

Copies of the above Writ of Election were forwarded by Sheriffs of Jefferson and Franklin Counties, respectively

Dear Sir, Natchez May 22 1822

Your resignation as Chief Justice of the County Court of Marion County is received and accepted.

A recommendation has been forwarded in favor of John H. Morton Esq. to fill the vacancy, but no appointment will be made until I hear from you each of the County on the subject of a person whom you deem qualified for the office of Chief Justice, residing below Columbia. You are aware, Sir, that it requires a man not only of integrity but of capacity for business, to discharge the duties of the office which you have resigned.

I am, Sir, respectfully
Yr obt. Servt
Geo Poindexter

Lewd. Benj. Lee.

(Signed)

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To Jacob I. H. Morris Esq. Chief Justice of the Quorum, for the County of Perry, or any Justice of the Quorum, or of the Peace

Whereas by a Law passed on the third day of February Eighteen hundred and Twenty, the County of Perry was erected into a separate County, and Whereas the offices of Sheriff and Coroner now being vacant in said County: And Whereas by a Law passed on the twelfth day of February Eighteen hundred and Twenty, authorizing the Governor of this State, to issue a Writ of Election, directed to a Justice of the Quorum or of the Peace of said County of Perry, to hold an Election to fill such vacancies. These are therefore, to command and require you to hold an Election, at the house of Jacob I. H. Morris, on the first ~~day~~ Monday in July next, and the day following, to fill said vacancies, And you are, moreover, required to conduct said Election in all respects conformably to Law.

Given under my hand, and the great Seal of the State, at the City of Natchez, the Twenty third day of May Eighteen hundred and Twenty, and in the Forty fourth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter

Dear Sir, Natchez May 23d 1820.

Enclosed, I send you a Writ of Election for a Sheriff & Coroner in Perry County, which you will please cause to be executed, & report the result to this office.

I am, Sir, respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.

J. J. Mc. c Morris Esq. (Signed) Geo. Poindexter.

Dear Sir, Natchez May 23d 1820.

The Writ of Election for a Sheriff & Coroner of Perry County was issued on the 11th day of March last, and immediately forwarded to Jacob J. B. Morris Esq. by the way of Green County to the care of Mr. McDonald. I presume the letter must have been lost before it arrival at Greensboro'.

Enclosed I send you a new writ of Election, which I request the favor of you to transmit by some safe conveyance, to Mr. Morris.

I find to receive the Militia of the Eastern County requiring musters, and shall expect the pleasure of your company. You will in the mean time, be so good as to cause, from Genl. Nixon and Dickson, the days in November, when their respective Regimental Musters will be held, and inform me.

I am, respectfully

Col. J. R. Nicholson. Yr. Frd.

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter

Head Quarters Natchez May 23d 1820.

Sir

Your communication of the 29th ultimo, has been received. Sir. Jones is required by the existing laws, to reside within the limits of the 1st Battalion of the 6th Regiment which he was elected to command. The 1st sect. of the act of the Legislature respecting the Militia, regulates merely the right of suffrage, in the election of Battalion officers, and does not repeal former laws on the subject of their residence, which you will observe is fixed, by the Act of the 13th Dec. 1816, must govern the case.

You will forthwith order Lt. Col. Griffin, to enter upon the duties of his office, and in the event of his refusal, or neglect to obey your order, he will be considered out of office, and you will direct an Election to be held

according to law, for his pardon.

Your official certificate of the Resignation of Col. Davis of the 2d Regiment of the Miss: Militia, is deemed satisfactory. I will therefore order an Election to be held for his successor, at such time as may enable the electors to receive due notice thereof.

I am respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

Brig. Gen.l Dickson (Signed) Geo. Poindexter,
1st Brig. 2nd Div. M. M.

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,
To the Sheriff of Adams County, and to all others whom it may
concern.

Whereas at the present Term of the Superior Court, holden
in and for the County of Adams, William C. Campbell was convicted
by the verdict of a Jury, of the crime of Larceny, and whereas the
persons who found him guilty, and many other respectable
citizens have represented to me, that he is a fit and proper ob-
ject of Executive clemency. Now Know ye, that having ma-
turely considered the representations aforesaid, I do, by virtue
of the powers in me vested, as Governor of the State aforesaid,
Pardon the said William C. Campbell, and remit the punish-
ment which he is liable to suffer by the sentence of the Court,
founded on the conviction aforesaid, the costs of prosecution
only, excepted.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of
the State, at the City of Natchez, this Twenty fourth
day of May A.D. 1820.

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter

Dear Sir, Natchez May 24th 1820.

I have duly received the recommendation in favor of
yourself and others, of Solon H. Wolfe Esqr. for the office of
Chief Justice of the County Court of Adams County, and am
induced to hesitate as to his appointment, because, it is
stated by Gen.l Lee, that all the other Justices of the Coun-
ty Court reside in the upper part of the County, and
because these officers ought to be distributed over the Coun-
ty with as much equality as practicable.
With you, it will be so good as to make such necessary
enquiries as you think proper, on these objections, and also state

to me, whether Mr Morton, if appointed, will accept.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
E. Stovall Esq. Yr obt Servt
(signed) Geo Poindexter

P.S. The Governor has no power to appoint a Justice of the Peace, in the recess of the County Court.

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,
To the Sheriffs of Warren and Claiborne Counties;
Whereas the Term of service of Henry D. Downs Esquire, who was elected a Member of the Senate, from the Senatorial District composed of the Counties of Warren and Claiborne, in the General Assembly of this State, will expire in August next, and the day following, in your respective Counties, to fill the vacancy which may be occasioned thereby; And I do hereby require you to cause Elections to be held in your respective Counties, to fill the vacancy which may be occasioned thereby; And I do require you to conduct the said Election, in all respects conformably to Law.
Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of
L. S. the State, this Twenty fourth day of May, 1826
and of the Independence of the United States of America, the Forty fourth.
(Signed) Geo. Poindexter,
Copies of the above Writs were forwarded to the Sheriffs of Warren and Claiborne Counties, respectively.

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,
To the Sheriff of Wilkinson County;
Whereas the Term of service, of Joseph Peterson Esquire, who was elected a Member of the Senate, from the Senatorial District of the County of Wilkinson, in the General Assembly of this State, will expire in August next. And, Therefore, in conformity with a Resolution of the Senate, adopted at its last Session, I do hereby authorize and direct you to hold an Election on the First Monday in August next, and the day following, in the said County of Wilkinson, to fill the vacancy which may be occasioned thereby. And I do require you to conduct

the said Election be elected conformably to law.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State, this Twenty fourth day of May 1820 and of the Independence of the United States of America, the Forty fourth.

L.S. (Signed) Geo. Poindexter.

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To the Sheriff of Adams County.

Whereas the term of Service of White Turpin Esquire, who was elected a member of the Senate, from the Senatorial District of the County of Adams, in the General Assembly of this State, will expire in August next. I do therefore, in conformity with a Resolution of the Senate, adopted at their last Session, issue this Writ, authorizing and directing you to hold an Election on the Fifth monday in August next, and the day following, in the said County of Adams, to fill the vacancy which may be occasioned thereby. And I do moreover enjoin you to conduct the said Election, in all respects, conformably to law.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the L.S. State, this Twenty fourth day of May 1820, and of the Independence of the United States of America the 44th.

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter.

Natchez, May 25th 1820.

Sir, I am required by an Act of the General Assembly of the 2[illegible] Dec. 1816, "in case the Mississippi Bank, the Planters Bank, or the Louisiana Bank, should hereafter fail, or from any cause, be rendered manifestly unable to discharge their paper, to issue a Proclamation to the several Tax collectors and other Officers, concerned in collecting monies, accruing to the State, requiring and directing them, not to receive the notes of such Bank, in payment of any public dues.

It has been announced that the Planters Bank of Mississippi, one of those above enumerated, has failed, or is rendered manifestly unable to discharge their paper. You will therefore, make the requisite investigation, as to the condition of that Bank, and report to me, whether it is such as to bring it within the provisions of the above recited Act.

Richard Ch. Aud. P. Acct.

I am, Sir, respectfully, Your
(Signed) Geo. Poindexter.

Dear Sir Bastrop, Mar 25th 1822

I have received your letter of the 8th Inst requesting me as Mr Perry Esq as a Justice of the Peace for the County of Jackson, to apply to which I have to remark that the recommendation of the County Court certified by the Clerk, must precede any Commission from the Governor to a Justice of the Peace.

Dan'l Pickett Esq. } Yours &c
Jackson County } (Signed) Geo. Pinckett

(State v. Campbell. Petition for remission of penalty & forfeiture.)
Executive Office May 2d 1822

The facts set forth in this Petition, ought to have been pleaded to the Ind. The Executive cannot revise the proceedings of Courts. (Signed) Geo. Pinckett

Sir, Matchez June 16th 1820

In reply to your communication of the 1st instant, the Governor, as Governor of the State of Louisiana, & Ex officio Superintendant of all military & civil concerns, to which he has access, & any distinguished consideration

(Signed) Geo. Pinckett.

F. Guillemain Esqre
Consul of France,
Residing at Nieuw Orleans.

Dear Sir, Natchez June 17th 1820

Your of the 2nd Inst. has been received, and its contents considered. It is indispensibly necessary that a Transcript of the Record of conviction should accompany all applications to the Executive for Pardons: The cases are very rare, where a pardon would be granted before conviction. You will perceive, therefore, that I cannot proceed to a final determination on the subject mentioned in your communication, without such a Record. I will add, that it might be advisable to obtain and transmit to this office such testimonials, as may be in your power, of the former good conduct of your son.

I am respectfully,

Yr. &c.

Wm. Hugh Horne
Solomon Lemmon } Signed } Geo. Poindexter.

Dear Sir, Natchez June 17th 1820.

The recent death of Judge Taylor has deprived the State of his useful services on the Bench of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, and the duty devolves on me, of supplying the vacancy, in the recess of the General Assembly.

Recollecting your former services, and the unsullied confidence reposed in your ability, integrity and impartiality by all classes of the community, I am anxious to give a recent proof of that confidence, by restoring you to the situation, from which you voluntarily retired, and which you so long filled with satisfaction to your fellow citizens.

In thus proffering to you the office of Judge in the highest Judicial tribunal of the State, I need not speak of feelings of public duty, and private friendship unimpaired by the lapse of nearly seven years' intimacy, combine to produce, on my part, a strong solicitude that it may comport with your views, and circumstances, to fill the station, in which during the remainder of your life, you can be useful to your country. You are aware of the necessity, in order to your acceptance of resuming your residence within the second Judicial district, which, however, may be done to suit your convenience. It will be desirable to obtain from you, an answer to this communication, as early as practicable, which you will be pleased to direct to me at the seat of my residence near Woodville.

Respectfully

Permit me to offer you my congratulations on your
and a hope that you met your family in good he
I remain Sir, with perfect
Hon Walter Leake Yr friend "Geo Poindexter

Natchez July 3d 1820.

Dear Sir,

In conformity to the 6th Sect of the General Assembly of this State, passed the 4th Feb 1818, I do appoint you a Director of the Bank of the State of Mississippi, to fill a vacancy occasioned by the death of Lyman Harding
I have the honor to be
Hon Hon. Wm B. Shields Very respectfully Yr ob
(Signed) Geo Poindexter

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi.
To the Sheriff of Claiborne County, and to all others
it may concern

Whereas at the late Term of the Superior Court holden in and for the County of Claiborne, David McClellan was convicted by the verdict of a Jury, of the offence of selling Spirituous Liquors, contrary to the statute in such made and provided, And Whereas many respectable citizens have represented to me, that he is a fit and proper object of Executive clemency: Now Know ye, that I naturally considered the representations aforesaid, I do in virtue of the powers in me vested, as Governor of the aforesaid, remit the fine and forfeiture, which the said David McClellan is liable to suffer by the sentence of Court, founded on the conviction aforesaid, the costs of prosecution only excepted.

Given under my hand, and the great
L. S. of the State, at the City of Natchez, the 3d
day of July, A. D. 1820.
(Signed) Geo Poindexter

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To the Sheriff of Claiborne County, and to all others whom it may concern:

Whereas at a Superior Court holden in and for the County of Claiborne, on the second monday of March last David McClellan was convicted by the verdict of a Jury, for keeping play at cards in his dwelling house; and whereas many respectable citizens have represented to me, that he is a fit and proper object of Executive clemency: Now know ye, that having maturely considered the representations aforesaid, I do, by virtue of the powers in me vested, as Governor of the State aforesaid, remit the fine and forfeiture which the said David McClellan is liable to suffer by the sentence of the Court, founded on the conviction aforesaid, except Five dollars thereof, and the costs of prosecution.

Given under my hand, and the great seal of the State, at the City of Natchez, the sixth day of July A.D. 1820.

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter.

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To the Sheriff of Amite County, and to all others whom it may concern:

Whereas at a Superior Court holden in and for the County of Amite, on the fourth Monday in April, in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and twenty, John R. Browne, did, by the Judgment of said Court, forfeit a certain recognizance, in which he was considered by the Court that the said State recover against the said John R Browne, the sum of Five hundred Dollars, the amount of his said recognizance, and also the sum of Nine Dollars and fifty cents for costs and charges in that behalf expended: And whereas many respectable citizens have represented to me, that the said John Browne is a fit and proper object of Executive clemency, Now Know ye, that having maturely considered the representations aforesaid, and the circumstances attending the case, I do, by virtue of the powers in me vested, as Governor of the State aforesaid, pardon the said John R. Browne, and remit the penalty and forfeiture, which he may have, by the Judgment of the said Court, the costs of prosecution only excepted.

Given under my hand, and the Great
Seal of the State, at the City of Natchez,
L.S. Twenty fifth day of July 1829, and in the
fifth year of the Independence of the United
States of America.

[Signed] Geo. Poindexter

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi.
To all who shall see these Presents Greeting

Whereas, the Honorable Walter Leake, who was a Member of
the Senate of the United States, from the State of Mississippi
has resigned his seat therein, during the recess of the Legislature
of said State: Now therefore, Be it known, that by virtue
the authority vested in me as Governor of the State aforesaid
by the Constitution of the United States, I do hereby appoint
Daniel Holmes Esquire, to fill the vacancy occasioned by
the resignation of the said Walter Leake, until the next meet-
ing of the Legislature of the State

Given under my hand, and the
Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, at the
City of Natchez, the thirtieth day of August,
(L.S.) in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight
hundred and Twenty, and in the forty fifth
year of the Independence of the United States
of America

By the Governor, [Signed] Geo. Poindexter
Jno. Brown, Private Sec.y

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi.
To the Sheriff of Adams County.

Whereas, Henry Hanna, who was elected a Member of
the House of Representatives, from the County of Adams, in
the General Assembly of this State, hath deceased. I do
therefore issue this writ, authorizing and directing you
to hold an Election in your County on the Fourth
Monday in October next, and the day following, to
fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the said
Henry Hanna. And, I do moreover enjoin you to
conduct the said Election, in all respects conformable
to Law.

given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Natchez, the Tenth day of September, in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight hundred and Twenty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the 45th.

L. S. (Signed) Gco. Poindexter,

By the Governor.

Natchez Sept. 11. 1820.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's communication of the 30th June, and of six volumes, being a collection of the Laws of Virginia, from the first session of the Legislature in 1619, down to the year 1755, and also the Revised Code of the Laws of Virginia, in two volumes, which you have been pleased to transmit for the use of the State of Mississippi. For this very valuable and acceptable present, I beg leave to return you my thanks.

In the views which you have taken of the advantages to be derived from a reciprocal interchange between the several States of the Union, of their laws, respectively, I entirely concur. To the people of this State, so recently admitted into the Confederacy, it is particularly useful, in selecting and maturing a system of laws, an opportunity of recurring to the examples and profiting by the experience of those who have gone before us, and ascertained the facts of political science. I regret that I have not the power, at this time, to send you the Revised Code and Laws of Mississippi, no provision having been made by the General Assembly on that subject. I shall take the earliest opportunity to lay before that body at their next annual meeting, these Laws, and have no doubt that suitable measures will be adopted to enable the Executive, at an early period, to furnish our respective sections of Statutes to the several States of the Union.

I am the honor to be very respectfully,
His Excellency
D. M. Randolph,
Gov. of Virginia.

Your most ob't Servt.
(Signed) Geo. Poindexter.

Sir, Natchez Sept.r 11th 1820

Your letter of the 16th July last has been received. By the closed Resolution passed by the last General Assembly of this State you will discover that I am required to ascertain the correctness of a balance of three thousand five hundred and two Dollars cents, supposed to be due from the State of Alabama, to this on account of disbursements and expenditures incurred in the existence of the Government of the late Mississippi Territ

I now have the honor to enclose you duplicates of the ac ments made by order of my Predecessor, which you will the goodness to examine, and offer such remarks, in relation to them, as you may think proper, with a view, to a final settlement of the account. I should be glad also to be informed whether the General Assembly of Alabama have any provision, for the payment of said Balance, or to much thereof, as may be found actually due, on a further investigation of the account, and if not, whether such a provision may be relied on, after the accounts are closed by the proper authority.

I have the honor to be with great respect Your most obt. Sir

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter

The Hon.ble Thos. Bibb, Governor of the State of Alabama.

Head Quarters, City of Natchez September 12th 1820.

Brigadier General McComas, will cause to be called into service Company or companies of Infantry, and Artillery, City of Natchez, as may be necessary, on the requisition of the Board of Health of the City, to support the civil authority and enforce the strict observance of the Quarantine Regulations of said City.

(Signed) Geo. Poindexter, Com.r in Chief M.T.

~~George Poindexter Governor of the State of Mississippi~~

To the Sheriff of Wayne County and to all others
to whom it may concern

Whereas at the late September Term of this Supreme
Court holden in and for the County of Wayne, Lewis Mills
was convicted by the verdict of a jury of this crime of
Man slaughter and sentenced to suffer the punishment of
the Law in such case made and ~~provided~~ provided
And whereas the Judge who presided at the trial, and
many composing the Jury who found him guilty, and
many other respectable Citizens have represented to me
that he is a fit and proper object of Executive clemency
Now Know ye, that having maturely considered the
representations aforesaid I do by virtue of the powers in me
vested, as Governor of the State aforesaid, pardon the said
Lewis N. Mills and remit the punishment which he is
liable to suffer by the sentence of the Court founded on
the conviction aforesaid, the costs of prosecution only excepted
Given under my hand and the great seal of
the State, at Natchez, the fifth day of October A.D. 1826
By the Governor George Poindexter

Natchez October 14: 1826

To the Honorable Legislature the Executive of
Louisiana, Whereas it has been represented to me that
Elijah Morgan, who has been convicted upon a Record
of the District Court of the United States, under your
Authority, for Manslaughter, and sentenced to pay a
fine of Five Hundred Dollars, and to be imprisoned
in the Public Jail of this City for the term of
Six Months, is unable to pay the fine aforesaid
and has petitioned me to remit the same, I
do therefore recommend to your Excellency
the remission of the fine aforesaid
Andrew Jackson
Major General
Commanding

Dear Sir, Natchez Feb 14. 1826

I am anxious to present to the view of the General Assembly of Mississippi, a report representing the actual condition of the several seminaries of learning in that State, and for that purpose, I take the liberty to request that you will be so good as to answer the interrogatories, at as early a period as may be, after the receipt of this communication.

1. What number of seminaries, for the education of male and female, is in operation in the County of

2. What branches of learning are taught in those seminaries, respectively?
3. The number of scholars entered, for each branch, the terms of board and tuition?
4. What attention is generally paid to discipline in those schools, and whether the pupils usually enjoy good health?

I have the honor to be, &c

Geo. Poindexter

Copies of the above letter, were addressed to the following Gentlemen to wit, Wm. Crain, Adams County, Wm. Hughes, Jefferson, Dan'l Burnet, Claiborne, Wm. D. Durand, Warren, Jno Cameron, Franklin, Gilbert Lawrence, Duke Collins, Marion, D. Dickson, Pike, Theo. Freeman, Dan'l Williams, Wilkinson, Isaac A. Nicholson, Greene, Hugh McCrea, Gen'l A. McKinley, Hancock, A. McMunn, Jackson, John Hay, Copiah, Enoch Grey, Wayne,

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Geo Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Hon. the Legislature of the State of Mississippi

A Report of the Superintendent of Education, in pursuance of the 4th Section of an Act, entitled "An Act to establish a System of Education" approved 5th February 1822.

To the Hon. the Legislature of the State of Mississippi

[illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] by
by the exercise of the said power and the direction [illegible]
[illegible] the execution [illegible]
[illegible] under my hand and seal at the [illegible]
[illegible] the date above written. The [illegible] day
of October A.D. 1820

[illegible] Secretary

Witness Dec 5. 1820

of Hundred [illegible] Dollars, this is done, and executed by the
dict of a Jury of the Crime of Forgery, and sentenced to suffer
death, & whereas, it is represented to me from respectable
sources, that the said James Roane is a young man who has
ever rendered essential service to his country, and has all his
life before, maintained an unblemished character, and that
he is of honest parentage, and a fit object of executive
mercy: Now Know Ye, that having considered the rep-
esentations aforesaid, I do, by virtue of the powers in me vest-
ed, as Governor of the State aforesaid, pardon the said
James Roane, and remit the punishment of Death, which
he is adjudged to suffer, by the sentence of the Court,
aforesaid, on the conviction aforesaid.

Given under my Hand, and the Great
Seal of the State, at Natchez, this eighth
day of January 1821, and in the forty
fifth year of the American Independence

Gerard C. Brandon

By the Governor

[illegible]

Gerard Brandon, Governor of the State of Mississippi:
To the Sheriff of Greene County, and to all others whom
it may concern:

Whereas, at a Superior Court holden in and
for the County of Green, at the March Term of said Court, in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one, one
[illegible] did by the Judgment of said Court, sentence a certain
[illegible] whereby he was doomed to suffer death, and
whereas, I have received a Petition, signed by a number of the
Citizens of Green County, praying for the pardon of the said
[illegible] and whereas, it appears to me that the said [illegible]
[illegible] under circumstances altogether
[illegible] by virtue of the powers in me vested, I do
[illegible] the said [illegible]
[illegible] by the sentence of the said Court,
[illegible] remitted.

Given under my Hand
[illegible]

and the Great Seal of the State, this
day of January 1821, and in the forty fifth y
the Independence of the United States of Am
Signed Geo. Bomb

Executive Chamber
Gentlemen of the Senate,
and of the House of Representatives,

I transmit to you a communi
received from the Secretary of State of the United
States, addressed to the Governor of this State
enclosing a collection of our Statutes for the use of the offi
thereof, and Resolutions of the Legislature of Vermont, on
Subject connected, with a request that they should be la
before you; and a letter from the Governor, accompanied
Compact, laid in five volumes of the Statutes of the Sta
United, down to the year 1805, together with the Reso
Court, duly authenticated by their signatures & the seal
a Copy of the Act of the Eighth Session of that Legislature
which was passed from the Executive Chamber of Vermont
of the passage of Statutes & Resolutions made by the Legis
to award the Contracts for the Printing required by the
of the United States, which will be found annexed to
Printing Plan proposed by the Committee

Signed Geo. Bomford

Executive Chamber January
of the House
of Representatives,

I transmit a Copy of Communication
the Secretary of State, & Statutes, & Resolutions
of the United States, which will be found annexed to
Printing Plan proposed by the Committee

(Signed) Geo. Bomford

Dear Sir,

Inclosed I hand you a Bill for your Son James which you will convey to the Sheriff of Glenn County in the most manner as you may deem most advisable.

Will you please state that Act of Clemency may invite to extend a Lost Son, and to Society in future, a useful member. Confidently in having performed it.

Sam, Sir, Respectfully &c.

Wm. Irwin Esqr
Colusa
To Hon.

(Signed) Geo. Pearkes

Executive Chamber Jany. 31st 1861

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Assembly,

I have considered the Bill entitled "An act for the relief of Jean Baptiste Pearkes" and return the same with the following objections: The preamble recites, that whereas, the petitioner named in said Bill, and the applicants mentioned in the petition accompanying said Bill, are aliens, and have resided in the State of California, for a period of time sufficient to entitle them to become citizens of the United States, if it were provided, that the rights of such State should be extended to all the foreigners and emigrants of Europe and Asia, who may reside in the State of California, for a period of time sufficient to entitle them to become citizens of the United States, and that the Legislature of the State of California, is not competent to confer the rights of citizenship upon foreigners, but that the power is exclusively vested in the General Government.

Geo. Johnston

Gentlemen of the Senate

I have examined and considered the Bill entitled An Act to authorize the Clerks of the Superior and County Courts of each County to transcribe the Records of Courts and Land Books which are in your Hands and return the same, with the following objections.

1. Because the Laws already enacted and the Forms in the Judicial are full and sufficient for the purposes contemplated by the Bill, and therefore no alteration and enlargement of powers is necessary to accomplish the end in view.

2. The Judges of the Superior and County Courts are authorized by the Bill, to decide on the proceedings of their Executive Officers, "as they deem necessary to ratify and confirm" them, and all the proceedings of Courts of Record, without exception, are to be received and treated as

3. The Sheriffs of the several Counties are made the Executive Officers, of the authenticating of the Records of the Courts to be done by the provisions of the Bill to the disparagement of the

(Signed) Geo. Pendleton

In Senate February 12th 1827

The foregoing objections of the Governor to the Bill entitled An Act to authorize the Clerks of the Superior and County Courts to transcribe the Records of Courts and Land Books which are in the Hands of Sheriffs and to return the same to the Clerks Offices of the said Courts, were read and ordered to lie on the table.

Attest Wm. Hill Clk

Ordered that the Objections of the Governor to the Bill entitled An Act to authorize the Clerks of the Superior and County Courts to transcribe the Records of Courts and Land Books which are in the Hands of Sheriffs and to return the same to the Clerks Offices of the said Courts, be printed for the use of the Senate.

Attest Wm. Hill Clk

[illegible] ...ovision of the ... [illegible]
...ge to issue a writ of election to the Sheriff of the County
of said County of Monroe, to hold an Election to fill such vacancy
in said, all therefore I do command and require you to hold an
Election, at the House of Henry Green on the first monday
in April next and the day following to fill said vacancy
and moreover you are required to conduct said Election ac-
cording to Law.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal
of the State at the City of Raleigh the
Twelfth day of February A.D. 1821, and in
the 45th year of American Independence.

By the Governor
Daniel Williams

Signed Geo Pondexter

Gentlemen of the Senate

Executive Chamber Feby 19. 1821

I have examined and considered the Bill sent
me on the 16th inst. by your Honorable Body entitled "an act to amend
an act entitled "an act to provide for the expenses of the
Superior Court, and for other purposes" and returned it with
the following objections.

1st. I object to the 2d section of the Bill, which gives
to the Judges of the Superior Courts the power of granting
writs of Habeas Corpus, in all cases to be
tried in said Courts, which is contrary to
the 7th Article of the Constitution which declares that no freeman
shall be deprived of his liberty or property but by the law
of the land. The 2d section of the Act, as it stands, is
in direct violation of the Constitution.

Signed Geo Pondexter

Dear Sir, Woodville April 24th 1821

I have duly received the sealed letter set forth
petitions of many respectable citizens of Hancock Coun
commending me for the office of Chief Justice of the County C
said County, Royal A. Vicery and am related to the C
to decline accepting) I am to set office which I shall
said fill with credit to myself and advantage to the Coun
Mr Vicery, I am informed is an Englishman who has not
naturalized according to the laws of the United States a
consequently ineligible to any office under said State.
The petitions were sworn to before Caleb Swift Esq. Justice
the Peace General Assembly of the said State to which the
consideration. I have the honor to be
Respectfully Your Obt Servt
Harmon Hunnewell Esq. Geo. Poindexter

Sir Woodville April 24th 1821
I have the honor to inform you as a commissioner
Chief Justice of the County Court of Hancock County I
declined for the present the appointment of
as a Notary Public, because I am informed the can
write nor read English. I have the honor to be
Respectfully Your Obt Servt
Joel Jourdan Esq. Geo. Poindexter

George Poindexter, Governor of the State of Mississippi
To all, Sheriff of Adams County, and Constable thereof in
Greeting.
Whereas, at a Special County Court held in and
the County of Adams on the second day of May A.D.
One Negro man Slave the property of Leo Pontalb
by the name Henry was tried, and convicted of an Assau
and Battery with an intent to kill Calvin Swearingen,
by the Grand Jury and sworn the said Henry could be
dealt, to be in full hard labor on the Public Roads
Now Know Ye, that by virtue of the powers in me ves
the Governor of the State aforesaid, I do hereby pardon the
Henry and remit the sentence pronounced against him
aforesaid, the costs of prosecution excepted.
Given under my hand and the Great Seal of

[redacted]

George Poindexter Governor of the State of Mississippi

To all who shall see these Presents.

Whereas John Hayes was summoned on the venire facias to
attend at a Circuit Court of the Wilkinson Superior
Court Court holden at the May Term of the Wilkinson Superior
Court Court holden at the May Term of the Wilkinson Superior
Court Court holden at the May Term

[illegible] Lieutenant [illegible]
[illegible] Lieut. of Lieutenant [illegible], Gen
Wheat, William Wilkinson, who was ordered a
from the Cherokee District consisting of the counties of
and Warren in the Second Military district of Tenn
ecorated.

You are therefore authorized and required fro
from & after the Election in your District Com
the first Monday and the next following in August
to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the
William Wilkinson Esqr. late a Lieutenant
You will cause Notice thereof to be given
Citizens entitled to vote

Given under my hand and the
Seal of the State at Knoxville
this 30th day of June A.D. 18
Jno. Sevier
Daniel Williams, Secretary of State

By His Excellency Governor of the State of Tennessee
To the Sheriff of Hancock County, Greeting
Whereas, Andrew Wilkinson, was returned by
Justices of Hancock County, a Court of Pleas
Quarter Sessions duly held for said County
last, to be commissioned Eight Justices
Peace for said County for the term of
Years, for and Whereas it hath been represented to
Court that there is a vacancy in the Office
Six months and it duly made to appear that a Ju
cannot be had to serve the vacancy occasioned
the refusal of Jesse Wilkinson to accept
Office of Justice of the Peace for said County
Whereas the Justices of the Peace of said County
Hancock have recommended to me Daniel Williams
Citizen of said County for the Office aforesaid
Whereas application hath been made to me by
Citizens of said County praying my Commission
said Daniel Williams for the Office aforesaid
Know ye that I Willie Blount Governor of the State
Tennessee in pursuance of the Powers in me
by the Constitution of the State aforesaid
Commission the said Daniel Williams Justice
Peace for the County of Hancock during the
of Seven Years from the date hereof
Given under my hand at Knoxville this 30th
June A.D. 1831
By the Governor
Signed Geo. Pa

(1) [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts and Treasurer of State, and the Legal Advisor of the Governor, as a Board of Canvassers, for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the General Election held in this State on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1910, have canvassed the returns of said election, and do hereby certify that the whole number of votes cast at said election for the office of Governor is as follows, to-wit:

Judson Harmon	131,822
John A. Harris	127,520
Eugene V. Debs	28,750
Aaron S. Watkins	2,468
Scattering	1,000

And we do further certify that a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Governor at said election is 145,280, and that Judson Harmon, having received a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Governor at said election, is duly elected Governor of the State aforesaid for the term of four years from the second Monday in January, A. D. 1911.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at the City of Columbus, this twenty-second day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ten, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-fifth.

Judson Harmon
Governor.

By the Governor:

[illegible]
Secretary of State.

George [illegible]

To the Sheriff of [illegible] County, and to all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, at the late [illegible] Term of the Superior Court holden at Liberty, in and for the County of Mandt, [illegible] D. Warnright was tried and convicted of the crime of Murdering, and sentenced to suffer death by the Sentence of the said Court, as a Court holden at Maleng, on the Second Monday in June last. And Whereas, it has been represented to the Governor, by many of the citizens of the said County of Mandt, that the said D. Warnright was a young and thoughtless citizen, and that the Sentence of the Law should be changed to Imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

Now, Therefore, I, George [illegible], Governor of the State of [illegible], do hereby Grant a Respite of Thirty Days from the Execution of the said Sentence of Death, to the said D. Warnright, in order that Petitions may be circulated, and presented to the Governor, praying for a Commutation of the said Sentence of Death to Imprisonment in the Penitentiary for Life.

Witness my hand and Great Seal of the State, at the City of [illegible], this [illegible] day of [illegible] in the Year of our Lord [illegible].

George [illegible]

By the Governor:

[illegible]
Secretary of State.

Dear Sir

I have the honor to enclose you the opinion of the Attorney General on the subject to which your communication of the first of June last relates.

I regret very much and delayed longer than I had expected the transmission to you, but I hope it will meet your purpose in time to answer the purpose contemplated by you. I am Sir Respectfully Your Obt. Servt

Wm. Wirt

Geo. Bomford Esq.

Dear Sir, Ashwood Place October 3d 1831

I have had the honor to receive your communication of the 2nd instant tendering your resignation of the office of Secretary of War. Having entered upon the discharge of the duties of that office, & according to the request contained in your letter of the 2nd instant I would have offered my real resignation, to take effect from the time when your successor should enter upon the duties of the office, but for your determination to retire at this moment, and for the necessity I am under of absenting myself from the seat of Government for a few days, on business of a private nature, which cannot be postponed. I am therefore compelled to ask the favor of you to accept my resignation as of the 1st instant, and to permit me to take leave of the office, and of the public functionaries at Washington, on the 3d instant.

In thus withdrawing from the public service, I am sensible that I owe an apology for the abruptness of the step, which I am about to take. But I am sure that you will do me the justice to believe, that I am actuated by no other motive than a sense of duty to myself, and to my family, which will not permit me to remain longer in a situation, in which I am unable to perform the duties, which I owe to the public, and to myself.

Gen. Daniel Mc[illegible]

[illegible] Thousand Eight Hundred and [illegible]
and Independence the Fifty-
[illegible]

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at the Council Chamber in Boise City, this 3rd day of October, A.D. 1890.

Attest: Geo. Pierce
Secretary of State.

By the Governor:
C. A. Steunenberg
Governor.

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

Know Ye, That at an election held throughout the State of Idaho on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety, in pursuance of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Agricultural College of the State of Idaho, and the University of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1889, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Normal School of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Industrial Institute and School of Mines of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Scientific School of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Academy of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Reform School of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Insane Asylum of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Penitentiary of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Soldiers' Home of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Asylum of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Girls' Industrial School of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Orphans' Home of the State of Idaho," approved February 28th, 1890, and the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the location and establishment of the Boys' Industrial School

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self and acknowledged, can be connected only
transfer of Equity Jurisdiction to a Chancellor, which
will be directed to no other object, and the may
they should have, relieve the contending from that vindic
litigation and confusion, inevitable from the system
of pleading. In recommending to your distinguished
attention and Guidance the important subject
efficacy of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, I
entertained, that the interests of humanity, and
Duty to the rising generation, and Country, will sufficiently
excuse and justify the liberty I have taken, and
and be satisfied. The arguments in addition would
be made acceptable to every youth, without distinction
of [illegible] circumstances. From the favorable attention
[illegible] of the highest Courts of Judicature and
[illegible] Jurisdiction of the United States, and
[illegible] of Penalty to add strength to the country and
[illegible] of History. The munificence of a liberal
[illegible] and Wealth, entitled the Trustees of Dickinson
[illegible] Seminary to the Public Confidence and Support
[illegible] Patronage but after the Institution
[illegible] may Rise to the highest Honors of the State
[illegible] Literature & Science the original Design
[illegible] Trust to diffuse Useful Knowledge, Virtue
[illegible] Religion may still be cherished in the
[illegible] Public Office Private Life to the Security
[illegible] Happiness of the